

Appendix 4: Summary of influences and ‘interest’ which contributed to Thomas Burnett and his peers being made post in 1757

| | Lieutenant | Commander | Made post | Privateer | Connections etc |
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| Affleck, Sir Edmund | 2.7.1745 | 5.6.1756 | 23.3.1757 | | Son and brother of MPs; months in charge of <i>Advice</i> |
| Baillie, Thomas | 29.3.1745 | 10.11.1756 | 30.3.1757 | Yes | |
| Basset, Christopher | 22.11.1745 | 26.6.1756 | 23.3.1757 | | Cornish interest, Admiral Boscawen |
| Boyle, Hon Robert | 23.3.1756 | 16.2.1757 | 5.5.1757 | | Father 1 st earl of Shannon; father in law Sir Charles Hanbury Williams; connected to Devonshire and Cavendish families |
| Burnet, Thomas | 20.8.1744 | 12.5.1756 | 4.4.1757 | Yes | 4th earl of Rochford |
| Campbell, Alexander | 8.8.1740 | 28.4.1747 | 29.9.1757 | | 12 years as Commander |
| Clements, Michael | 4.12.1755 | 5.1757 | 7.2.1757 | Yes | |
| Cornewall, Thomas | 13.6.1749 | 6.8.1756 | 4.1.1757 | | Relationship to large Cornewall naval dynasty not established |
| Craig, Robert | 27.2.1741 | 23.6.1748 | 5.4.1757 | | 9 years as Commander |
| Elliot, John | 30.4.1756 | 21.1.1757 | 19.1.1757 | | Father Lord Minto, brother Gilbert Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty |
| Faulknor, Robert | 5.10.41 | 5.11.1756 | 4.1.1757 | | Relationship to large Faulknor naval dynasty not established |
| Fortescue, William | 5.11.1740 | 8.2.1746 | 17.1.1757 | | 11 years as Commander |
| Harrison, Thomas | 3.12.47 | 1.11.1756 | 17.8.1757 | Yes | Father Admiral Henry Harrison |
| Hotham, Lord William | 28.1.1755 | 19.11.1756 | 17.1.1757 | Yes | Protégée of Admiral Hawke |
| Kempenfelt, Richard | 14.1.1741 | 5.5.1756 | 4.4.1757 | | Son of Magnus Kempenfelt, honoured by Queen Anne |
| Kennedy, Archibald | 16.12.1744 | 13.3.1756 | 5.4.1757 | | Heir to Kennedy and Cassilis earldoms; protégée of Admiral Warren |
| Knackston, Thomas | 15.12.1738 | 12.7.1745 | 29.9.1757 | | 12 years as Commander |
| Lindsay, Sir John | 2.3.1756 | 4.4.1757 | 19.12.1757 | | Father Sir Alexander Lindsay, mother Lord Mansfield's sister |
| Loring, Joshua | 23.5.1745 | 13.3.1756 | 1.11.1757 | | Local knowledge of North American waterways and coast |
| McCleverty, William | 13.7.1745 | 21.6.1756 | 16.11.1757 | | Circumnavigation with Anson and Saumarez |
| Mann, Robert | 6.3.1747 | 10.11.1756 | 19.12.1757 | | Father possibly Captain Mann, part of large naval family |
| Martin, Sir Henry | 18.12.1755 | 21.1.1757 | 17.8.1757 | | Under Boscawen |
| Medows, Charles | 5.8.1755 | 5.4.1757 | 3.2.1757 | | Heir to Duke of Kingston; mentor Duke of Newcastle |
| Ourry, Paul Henry | 14.11.1742 | 27.4.1756 | 3.8.1757 | | Father-in-law Rt. Hon. George Treby MP; mentor Hon. George Edgcumbe |
| Paston, William | 19.9.1755 | 8.3.1757 | 1.11.1757 | | |
| Penny, Taylor | 6.8.1745 | 31.12.1755 | 2.12.1757 | | |
| Peyton, Joseph | 6.6.1743 | 23.3.1756 | 17.1.1757 | | Son of Captain Edward Peyton |
| Phillips, Henry John later Towry | 6.8.1742 | 27.4.1756 | 5.4.1757 | | Heir to Uncle, Navy Commissioner Captain Towry, protégée of Hon. George Edgcumbe |
| Schomberg, Sir Alexander | 11.12.1747 | 1.3.1757 | 12.3.1757 | | Father's city connections led to Captain Pratten |
| Shurmur, William | 23.1.1746 | 12.2.1757 | 3.6.1757 | | |
| Spencer, Samuel | 21.1.1742 | 15.10.1756 | 3.6.1757 | | |
| Taylor, Thomas | 29.11.1745 | 17.8.1756 | 3.3.1757 | Yes | |
| Wallis, Samuel | 19.10.1745 | 30.6.1756 | 8.4.1757 | | First lieutenant under Admiral Boscawen in <i>Invincible</i> |
| Wheelock, John | 26.6.1741 | 19.2.1756 | 15.6.1757 | | |
| Wilkinson, Andrew | 2.8.1747 | 2.8.1756 | 21.12.1757 | Yes | First lieutenant under Sir Charles Saunders in <i>Prince</i> |

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